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Sir:

In accordance with 35 U.S.C. §254, we attach hereto Form PTO/SB/44 and a copy of proof of PTO's error and request that a Certificate of Correction be issued in the above-identified patent. The following error appears in the patent as printed:

Column 29, Line 42, Claim 5, "0.100 parts by weight" should read – 100 parts by weight – (See the Amendment dated July 11, 2006, page 3, Claim 5, Line 7.)

Respectfully submitted,

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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 29, Line 42, Claim 5, "0.100 parts by weight" should read – 100 parts by weight –

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 18, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

A Petition for three-month Extension of Time along with the requisite fee is filed concurrently herewith.

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Application No. 10/774,045
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(Currently Amended) A coated carrier comprising:

a carrier core material which comprises ferrite particles containing

a ferrite component represented by the following formula (A):

 $(MnO)_x(MgO)_y(Fe_2O_3)_z$ (A)

wherein x, y and z are each expressed in % by mol and are numbers satisfying the conditions of $40 \le x \le 60$, $0.1 \le y \le 10$ and x+y+z=100, and

ZrO₂ in an amount of 0.01 to 5.0 parts by weight based on 100 parts by weight of the ferrite component, said ZrO₂ not forming a solid solution with the ferrite component and said ZrO₂ is finely dispersed in the ferrite component, and

a resin coating layer formed on the surface of the core material,

wherein the coated carrier has a magnetization, at $1000(10^3/4\pi \cdot A/m)$, of 65 to 85 Am²/kg and an electrical resistance, at an applied voltage of 1000 V, of not less than 10^7 Ω .

- (Original) The coated carrier as claimed in claim 5, wherein the ferrite particles further contain Bi₂O₃ in an amount of 0.1 to 5.0 parts by weight.
- (Original) The coated carrier as claimed in claim 6, wherein the ferrite particles have oxide layers on their surfaces and have an electrical resistance, at an applied voltage of 1000 V, of 10^6 to $10^{12} \Omega$.
- (Previously Presented) The coated carrier as claimed in claim 5, wherein the carrier core material is coated with a resin in an amount of 0.01 to 10 parts by weight based on 100 parts by weight of the carrier core material.
- (Previously Presented) The coated carrier as claimed in claim 5, having an electrical resistance, at an applied voltage of 1000 V, of 10^7 to $10^{13} \Omega$.

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